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facility: Standard Bliss Require file

Abstract:

This require file contains standard definitions and macros useful for all kinds of Bliss programming. This file is general, not specific to any facility, and embodies all of the constructs found to be useful over many years of Bliss

programming.

Environment: As defined by the facility using this require file.

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Creation:

Modifications:

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DATA
                           TYPES
! The following items define a boolean data type, which does not exist in
! the standard Bliss language.
literal
        true = 1.
false = 0;
macro
        boolean = byte %;
! The following items define a general pointer data type.
macro
        pointer = ref block[,byte] %;
! The following literals define the most frequently used control characters.
literal
                %x'00'.
%x'03'.
%x'07'.
        NUL =
        ETX =
        BEL =
        HT =
        LF =
        FF =
        CR =
        ESC =
        DEL =
! The following items define some simple macros for generating the various
! kinds of strings we use: counted, described by descriptor, zero-delimited.
macro
        ctext(string) = uplit byte(%ascic string) %,
        dtext(string) = %ascid string %,
        ztext(string) = uplit byte(%asciz string) %;
! The following items define a descriptor data type, which does not exist
 in the Bliss language. These constructs allow simpler manipulation of
! descriptors and the data they describe.
field
        descriptor_fields = set
                         [dsc$w_length],
[dsc$b_dtype],
                 len =
                typ =
                cls =
                         [dsc$b_class],
                ptr =
                         [dsc$a_pointer]
        tes:
macro
        descriptor =
                block[8,byte] field(descriptor_fields) %,
        dbuffer(name, length) =
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        NEW
                 CONSTRUCTS
! Define a macro that allows reference to an external message name without
! having to declare it up top.
macro
        msq(ident) =
                 (%if not %declared(ident) %then external literal
                         ident:
                 %fi
                 ident
                 ) %:
! Define a macro which will check a status code and signal an error.
macro
        check(status)[] =
                 (if not status then
                         signal (%remaining)
                 ) %:
! The following literal will set the bits in the $FAO count of a $PUTMSG
  argument list so that the facility, severity, and identification won't
! be included.
literal
        nobabble = %x'00010000':
! Define two macros from incrementing and decrementing a variable.
macro
        increment(variable) = (variable = .variable + 1) %,
decrement(variable) = (variable = .variable - 1) %;
! Define a macro for rounding an integer up to a specified multiple.
macro
        round_up(expression,multiple) = (((expression)+(multiple)-1) / (multiple) * (multiple)) %;
! Define a macro for the head of an "infinite" loop.
macro
        loop = while true do %:
! Define a macro for building a descriptor at runtime.
macro
        name[typ] = name[cls] = 0;
name[ptr] = address;) %;
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